NexisUni Library Database Search Result

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Order Issue

- ISSUE: CRSP flips the order of company name
- For instance, company name for permco 544 has named
 - "BERKELEY W B CORP" in CRSP
 - "W.B. BERKELEY" in NexisUni
- This is one of some unsolved issues. Changing phrase order could lead to a different company.
- For example, for company name "Citizens First Bancorp"
 - No result for searching "CITIZENS FIRST"
 - ▶ 8 results for searching "FIRST CITIZENS", but company name is "First Citizens BancShares Inc (Delaware)"

Abbreviation Issue

- ISSUE: CRSP uses abbreviation while NexisUni may not contain
- For instance, common abbreviations appearing in CRSP include

PROPERTY: PPTYSERVICES: SVCSINVESTORS: INV

► INSURANCE: INS

INTERNATIONAL: INTL

► HOLDING: HLDG

 And it could be the opposite, NexisUni could contain abbreviation while CRSP does not

Abbreviation Issue (Cont.)

- Current Solution: Identify possible words and their abbreviations, search with multiple phrases.
- For example, if containing "HOLDING", like "ABC HOLDING"
- Search "(ABC) AND (HOLDING) OR (HOLDINGS) OR (HLDG) OR (HLDGS)"
- Current Identified Abbreviation List:
 - Holding: Holdings, HLDG, HLDGS
 - Management: MGMT
 - Service: Services, SVC, SVCS
 - Property: Properties, PPTY
 - ► Investment: INVT
 - International: INTL

Punctuation Issue

- **ISSUE**: Should be acronym or punctuation on spaces between letters at the beginning of comnam.
- For instance,
 - 37 more cases when searching "U.S. Global Investors" rather than "US Global Investors"
 - ▶ 21 more cases when searching "W.P. Carey" rather than "WP Carey"
- However, there are also spaces between letter in the middle of comnams
- For example, "UNI INVEST U S LTD" and "MAYS J W INC"
- Proposed Solution: taking "W P Carey" as an example, search "(WP Carey) OR (W.P. Carey)"

Missing Results

- There are two missing results as pointed out by Prof. Jack BAO
 - permco 5860: manually named a wrong permco number, it was recorded as 3860. (CHECKED)
 - ▶ permco 30909: network problem, causing autodownload program wrongly record the result. (Re-run over night to avoid network volatility)

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State Suffix

• ISSUE: State suffix may not need to be included in search phrase.

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Timing Issue

- **ISSUE**: Variable "min_date" refers to the end date of the month where first earnings call occurs.
- For instance, for company SITE CENTERS CORP, its first earnings call has a date of Oct 24, 2018, whereas *min_date* is Oct 31, 2018.
- **Proposed Solution**: Extend the *min_date* back to the first date of the month other than the last date of the month.
- Possible Issue: the time interval could overlap with others time interval or other company records.

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Special Case: PROLOGIS

- There is one special case: comnam PROLOGIS
- The comnam is used for two firms, although at different time

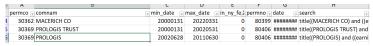


Figure: permco: 30369



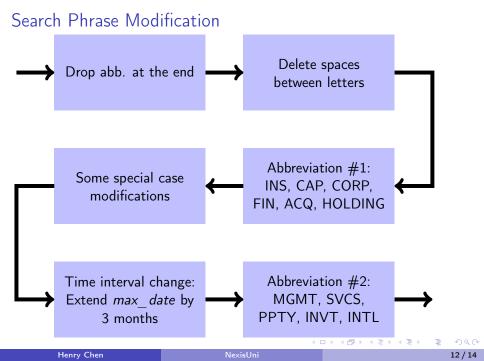
Figure: permco: 32135

 When searching, the search phrase for comnam will be exactly the same, the time intervals also overlap.

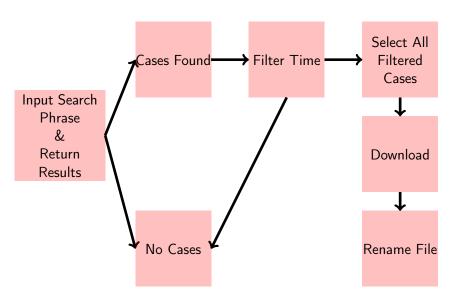
Flow Introduction

- The flow chart is split into three parts:
 - Search Phrase Modification
 - Auto Download
 - ► Permco & Comnam Check

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Auto Download



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